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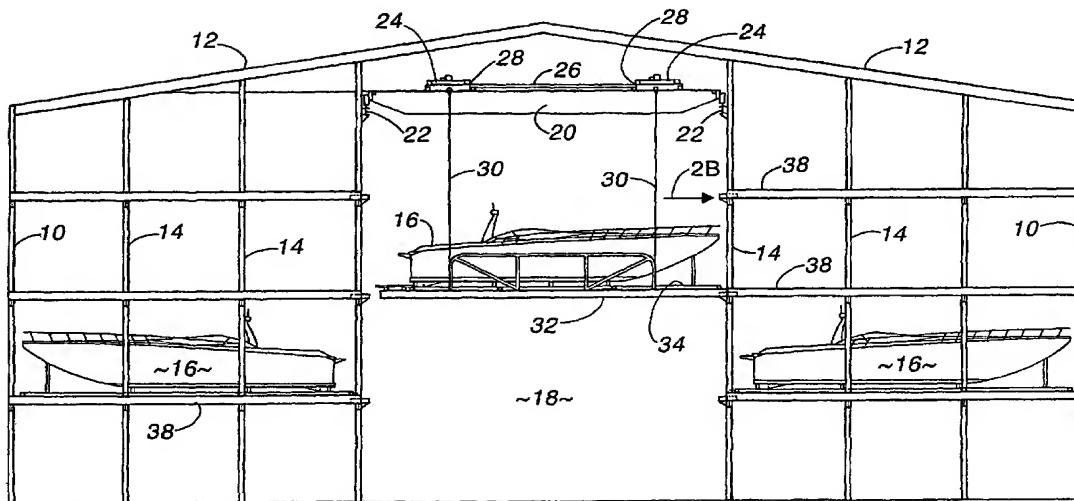
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(57) Abstract: A warehousing and dry storage system and apparatus are directed to powerboats and yachts from about 30 to 80 feet in length. The basic units of the apparatus comprise at least one horizontally and vertically prime mover (32) and a plurality of wheeled cradles (30) or storage frames of very robust construction. The prime mover has a horizontal railed portion (60) upon which rides a tow frame. The tow frame in turn is driven by a cable or chain (80) to a reversible electric gear motor (92) for movement of the cradle. The prime mover aligns with heavy structural horizontal frame members (38) of the warehouse (12). The frame members serve as rails in supporting the wheeled cradles. The wheeled cradles are equipped with boat pads for direct supporting contact with a boat hull. Power yachts, each weighing many tons, can easily be supported in a stacked configuration in racks in an enclosed warehouse with the configuration of the invention.

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